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In re Application of : Attn: Mail Stop Amendment

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Hiraku Kawasaki : Patent Art Unit: 1794

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Serial No. 10/554,709 : Examiner: Gregory D. Clark

Filed: October 27, 2005 : Confirmation No. 9367

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For: PLATE MATERIAL AND

MANUFACTURING METHOD

THEREOF :

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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[] 1ST PRESENTATION OF MULT. DEP. CLAIM			+ 195 = \$	+ 390 = \$
			TOTAL \$	TOTAL \$

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the June 24, 2009 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 27-29, 31-42, and 44-52 are pending, with claims 27 and 40 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.